NOTICE

Dr. Peter H. Raven has kindly informed me that the correct name for Gaura odorata Lag., which I recently reported from Louisiana (Vincent, 1980), is Gaura drummondii (Spach) T. & G. (Raven and Gregory, 1972). The species has also been introduced into California, with locally established populations recorded from Arkansas and Georgia.—Karl A. Vincent, Department of Biology, University of Southwestern Louisiana, Lafayette, LA 70504.

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A SYNONYMIZED CHECKLIST OF THE VASCULAR FLORA OF THE UNITED STATES, CANADA, AND GREENLAND. Vol. II. The Biota of North America. Kartesz, John T. and Rosemarie Kartesz. The University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, N.C. 1980. 499 pp. \$35.00.

This checklist is part of an on-going attempt to produce a flora of North America and is the second volume of the Biota of North America. The most logical approach to the final objective is the production of a checklist. A checklist is the beginning, unfortunately often the climax, of the basic contents of a future flora. C. R. Bell, in the Foreword, clearly states that the list may be the foundation for a unified treatment of the flora of North America which Muhlenberg first proposed in 1790-1792. A future edition of this checklist will reflect new data. However, this listing will remain basic to the whole.

In addition to the checklist, the book includes the Introduction which contains explanations of Developmental Design, Format, Excluded Taxa, Geographic Scope, Synonymy, Author Citations, Specialist Review, and Uniformity and Anomalous Names. Following the Introduction, are sections on Acknowledgments, Reviewers and Cooperating Specialists, Excluded Names, Summary of Vascular Plant Taxa Treated, the Checklist (Pteridophyta, Gymnospermae, Angiospermae) and the Index.

With a publication date of 1980, the most recent nomenclatural changes are not in evidence as one would expect. Several nomenclatural discrepancies seem to be perpetuated and a few of these are noted below. (Ref.: Man. Leg. Tenn., J. Tenn. Acad. Sci. 45(3): 65–96. 1970).

Wisteria macrostachya, a manuscript name of Nuttall, has persistently been attributed to Nuttall but the correct author citation should be (Nutt.